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FORD'S PEACE PARTY

Homeward Bound

By J. E. Jones.

Holland is magnificent! It thrills; it exalts; it fairly intoxicates! You can't "heat the Dutch." Of that I am convinced.

Having scattered these adjectives and explosives, I will proceed with my narrative. I have described my trip up to leaving Copenhagen. To the south of the Danish capital lies the most magnificent agricultural region in the Scandinavian countries. When Denmark surrendered Schleswig-Holstein to the Germans in 1864, the people resolved to develop their lands so as to double the production, and thereby make up for the loss of territory. The Danes accomplished their purpose, and literally made "two blades of grass grow where there had been but one." Intensive farming and afforestation have been developed to a point that commands enthusiastic admiration.

The sun was shining this morning we awoke in Holland. Snow, rain, mists, fogs, and discomforting temperatures, all of a sudden departed. We looked out of our car windows, and there were the dams and dikes, and the Dutch windmills; there were broad expanses of cultivated lands; comfortable homes here and there. Sheep, cattle and pigs were plentiful, and were rolling in fat. Almost instantly you discovered that nowhere was there a speck of filth or refuse of any sort. Holland, as far as the eye could reach, looked as though it had been scrubbed with "Old Dutch Cleanser." Rural Holland looks so beautiful that one feels that he would like to have it all set in a frame, and carry it away. And wonderful Holland is nothing more nor less than the created product of the Hollanders. It represents, in this analysis, the perfection in intensive farming; for not an inch of its agricultural lands is allowed to go to waste. The wind mills of Holland are not built for scenery—they are busy aids to farming, flour mills and other establishments where power is required. The principal problem they solve is that of drainage. I will not go into the details, but in the last stage of the drainage process one sees the water from the low lands deposited in canals considerably above the surface of the adjoining farms. Through these "veined" canals, which make the world look as though it were built upside down, the surplus waters of the lowlands is carried away.

Holland specializes in tulips. It is an expensive crop, and pays enormous profits in times of peace. One day I was sitting with my friend, Harry C. Evans of Des Moines, looking out of a car window. Among the discoveries we had made was that the mud from the bottoms of the streams was hauled up to place on the top of the soil; we saw, too, that the hedge fences grow brown stock or basket material for its rest. We saw that only a part of an acre was utilized in many instances as a "little farm." The roads were narrow because the land was too valuable to waste. There was no unused right of way along the railroad tracks, and the employees of the line are farmers who cultivate this portion of the earth. Before us was the splendid evidence of intensive, scientific farming, that demanded compensation from every foot of ground. I remarked to Mr. Evans that it was significant that the land, used for hundreds of years, had never worn out, although in the beginning it perhaps was not so good as the farm lands of his own State of Iowa.

"Compared to this system," I observed, "Iowa does not farm her land at all—she mines her land, just as do the people of all other portions of the United States." Mr. Evans' reply was that "if we cultivated the fertile corners of Iowa as they farm in Holland the produce would be sufficient to feed our two million people."

In Pennsylvania I have seen the settlements made by the Dutch; and there as elsewhere in the United States where these people have gone in groups and colonies, the development has been highly satisfactory. I believe it to be entirely safe to say that the Dutch are among the best farmers of America. I found the highest American officials stationed in Holland, willing to agree to my suggestion that delegations of farmers from our country should be sent to Holland to learn how intensive farming has been developed. My idea evidently was not new, since I found that suggestions of this nature have in the past been sent to Washington. Here I left The Hague there was a deluge at my hotel a large number of

GOULD'S ACADEMY

Naomi Smith was absent part of last week.

Miss Springer and Miss Stanley visited school, Monday.

Ruth Cole, who was absent all of last week, is back at school.

Manuscript for the spring issue of the "Herald" has gone to press.

Miss Whitman went to Hebron, Friday night, to be with her sister until Sunday night.

Miss Pratt has returned, accompanied by her mother, who will be a guest at Holden Hall for a few weeks.

This is the week of the annual visit of the National Y. W. C. A. Secretary of the Northern Field, Miss Farquhar. This year she brings with her, Miss Ethel Cutler, National Secretary of Bible Study in connection with colleges. She will hold a bible institute while here, devoting about one hour each day to telling bible stories. Those who have been privileged to hear her say she tells these stories fascinatingly. Following is a tentative program for the institute meetings to be held in the Academy:

Thursday—7 to 8 P. M.
Friday—3:30 to 4:30 P. M.
Saturday—2 to 3 P. M.
Sunday—3 to 4 P. M.
We hope to arrange for an evening meeting for Sunday but notice will be given of this later.

REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION.

The Republican State Convention at Portland last Thursday was a veritable get-together.

Ex-Governor William T. Cobb of Rockland was chairman of the convention, and the principal address of the day was given by Hon. William A. Smith, United States Senator from Michigan.

Delegates to the Republican national convention in Chicago were chosen who go unopposed, but it is known that their first choice for the nomination for president will be Charles E. Hughes.

The Chicago delegates and the nominees for electors are as follows:

For Presidential Electors:
(Representing the Four Districts)
George G. Emory of Sanford.
Edward P. Bicker of Poland.
Fred G. Kinsman of Augusta.
Beecher Putnam of Houlton.

(At Large)
Herbert Gray of Old Town.
Walter G. Morse of Rumford.

Delegates to National Convention:

(At Large)
Fred N. Dow of Portland.
Harold M. Sewall of Bath.
John A. Peters of Ellsworth.
Charles J. Dunn of Orono.

Alternates: Ernest Merrill of Saco.
Arthur G. Staples of Lewiston, B. E. Colcord of Searport and Patrick Theriault of Grand Isle.

(First District)
Walter P. Perkins of Cornish.
Henry G. River, Jr., of Portland.

Alternates: Urban J. Ledoux of Biddeford and Adam P. Leighton of Portland.

(Second District)
John R. Bates of Wilton.
Phineas L. Gay of Newcastle.

Alternates: Ruel Robinson of Cambridge and Theodore Hapley of Rumford.

(Third District)
Guy P. Barnett of Augusta.
John R. Trimble of Calais.

Alternates: F. M. Fish of Hallowell and Carleton P. Merrill of Shawhegan.

(Fourth District)
John Houston of Guilford.
William P. Hamilton of Caribou.

Alternates: Dana H. Danforth of Foxcroft and P. J. Freney of Bangor.

Ample provision for farming and in rural life in Holland. They were from the Imperial Department of Agriculture, and I cannot help but think that even in matters of propaganda the Hollanders can still furnish a few valuable lessons to the United States.

I carried away from Holland hotel pictures and impressions of the wind mills—the most mechanical symbols of a frugal, practical people, used in drainage and other processes of industry. And with some one tell me why these cheap, hand-made devices that take their power from the air, cannot be successfully used in drainage and irrigation projects in many parts of the United States!

Band concert and dance at Holden Hall this week Thursday.

SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT

March Term at South Paris Finished Saturday

The second week of the March term of Court was devoted to criminal business, chief among which was the trial of Patrick J. Harrington for the murder of Thomas E. Preece on Sunday morning, Nov. 8, 1914.

Harrington was arraigned Thursday afternoon and the jury drawn as follows:

William G. Cushman, Andover, Foreman.
H. E. Wheeler, Gilead.
Fred L. Chapman, Bethel.
Walter E. Penley, Greenwood.
Horace H. Annis, Bethel.
Ira Harriman, Oxford.
Roland O. Briggs, Buckfield.
Verdell Holman, Dixfield.
Wallace P. Clark, Bethel.
John Anderson, Bethel.
Arthur U. Tyler, Paris.
John C. Wymann, Peru.

Attorney General William R. Pattangall of Augusta and County Attorney Albert Bellevue of Rumford were for the prosecution and Hon. Frank A. Morey of Lewiston and Alton C. Wheeler of So. Paris for the defense. A large number of witnesses were called for the State but none were called for the defense. The final arguments were made Friday evening and the jury was charged Saturday morning. After being out one hour they returned a verdict of guilty.

Exceptions and motion for a new trial were filed by Harrington's counsel, and the case will go to the law court.

Divorces were decreed during the term as follows:

Gladya I. Noyes from Alva W. Noyes. Cruel and abusive treatment.

Custody of minor child, Clinton A. Noyes, given to libelant.

Walter E. Rowe from Lillian M. Rowe. Cruel and abusive treatment.

Custody of minor child, Delward C. Rowe, given to libelant.

Eva M. Swift from Alvin D. Swift. Cruel and abusive treatment and gross and confirmed habits of intoxication.

Zella M. Staples from Arthur M. Staples. Cruel and abusive treatment.

Custody of minor child, Alice May Staples, given to libelant.

L. Beatrice Chabourne from James F. Chabourne. Cruel and abusive treatment.

Court finally adjourned Saturday afternoon.

SCHOOL NOTES.

All the schools in Bethel and Greenwood will open for the Spring term next Monday, April 3.

The school on Howe Hill in Greenwood will not begin until April 10.

At a recent meeting of the Bethel School Board it was voted not to have a school at Middle Intervale this Spring term.

BOARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to the many friends who so kindly expressed their sympathy during our recent bereavement; also for the many floral tributes and the comforting words spoken by Rev. T. C. Chapman.

Mrs. Leona Merrill.
Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Abbott.
Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Merrill.
Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Browne.

NOTICE.

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FARM MACHINERY.

I have on hand a large stock of farming implements and machines which I shall sell at last year's prices. Don't buy until you see me.

C. L. DAVIS,
Bethel, Maine.

GRANGE NEWS

CANTON GRANGE.

A good number of patrons attended the meeting of Canton Grange, Saturday, and an excellent meeting held. The program consisted of:

Music, Choir.
Quotations on Spring from each member.

Vocal Trio, Mrs. Helen A. Mitchell.

Mrs. Edith S. Ellis and Mrs. Minnie Farhan.

"Spring plans on the farm," A. J. Foster.

Paper, "My Hobby in Work," Mrs. C. E. Mendall.

Talk on the same subject, G. T. Bonney.

"My Hobby in Reading," Mrs. W. A. Lucas.

Music, Choir.

Reading, Mrs. H. M. Tucker.

The surprise feature by Mrs. Edith Ellis was that each member present tell their age. This created some amusement. The eldest member was 82 and the youngest 15. A reading was then given by Mrs. W. A. Lucas and the closing thought by H. M. Tucker. It is expected that a speaker on orcharding will be secured for the next meeting.

NORWAY GRANGE.

The meeting of Norway Grange, held last Saturday was called to order at 1 o'clock by Worthy Master Richardson. All officers were present. Eleven candidates were balloted on, and five applications were received. After completing the business of the day the remainder of the time was given over to the captains, Goodwin and Young, who presented extremely interesting programs. There was a large attendance with a number of visitors present. Paris Grange and Franklin Grange are expected to meet with Norway Grange on April 8, at an all day meeting. There will be degrees work in the forenoon. The Loyal Order of Moose observe Ladies' Night at the hall on March 31. The Grange will serve a baked bean supper.

BETHEL GRANGE.

Bethel Grange held its regular meeting last Thursday evening, March 23. There were twenty-six members present and two visitors. The officers were all present with the exception of the Master and Treasurer. The third and fourth degrees were conferred on one candidate. There was four applications presented for membership. Our degree team seems to be fully established and is doing finely. Owing to the lateness of the hour the literary program was very short as follows:

Vocal Solo, encore, Eva Hapgood.

Question—"The telephone and what it means to the world today," discussed by F. B. Merrill and Rev. Mr. Little.

Reading, Mao R. Bartlett.

Pomona is to meet with us next Tuesday.

PLEASANT VALLEY GRANGE.

Pleasant Valley Grange No. 133, West Bethel, held its regular meeting, Tuesday evening, March 28. The third and fourth degrees were given to two candidates. There were forty members present and seven visitors from Bethel Grange. Officers pro tem: Chaplain, Flora, Pomona. The literary program consisted of:

Elo, Mrs. Helen Hayward.

Story, D. W. Cushing.

Reading, Lillian Sumner.

Reading, F. L. Bean.

Reading, J. L. Pike.

Remarks, D. D. McLeod.

Song, Herman Mason.

Remarks, Duncan McLeod.

Remarks, J. A. Brown.

Remarks, J. A. Mather.

A supper was served in the dining room, consisting of beans, brown bread, sandwiches, cake and coffee.

WEST PARIS GRANGE.

State Lecturer, C. O. Pariston and Mrs. Pariston were present at the all day meeting of West Paris Grange, held March 25. About forty members were present in the forenoon and six in the afternoon, with all of them except lecturer present. Mrs. Pariston gave a very interesting talk on her trip to the Dairy Show at Chicago. A delicious oyster stew and fish chowder dinner was served at noon by the men. An open meeting was held in the afternoon and the following program given:

Singing, "America," Grange.

Reading, Lucy Edwards.

Vocal Duo, Mrs. Anna White, Mr. Clayton (Chaplain).

Piano Solo, Doris Field.

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BETHEL MEN'S CLUB

An Interesting Paper Read on "Our Liabilities" by Mr. F. A. Tibbetts

When Mr. Tibbetts paper came to present a paper before the Bethel Men's Club on some subject I was at a loss as to what that subject should be. At first I thought a paper on the subject of banking would do the trick, but this seemed not at all an appropriate one at this time.

Then Mr. Tibbetts paper came to my mind and I thought that while we were considering our assets that we might well also think about and consider our liabilities, or if you wish our responsibilities. This paper is not meant in any way as a contradiction or criticism of his paper but rather to be considered in conjunction with it. I wish to bring out the fact that you and I are as individuals, communities and as a nation liable or responsible to ourselves, to others and to humanity in general in more than a purely commercial and material sense. That liabilities and assets cannot be measured for us in dollars and cents alone, but that there are higher and greater responsibilities than the mere commercial ones for us to meet, large as they may seem at times. I wish also to bring to your minds the necessity for our being prepared to meet our liabilities for it is a factor of such importance to individuals, business concerns, communities and a nation that it faces us whichever way we turn. Life is one continual process of getting ready, preparing. Ministers preach it, teachers teach it and help prepare those under them for a better, fuller life and better citizenship, and every man, woman and child are exemplifying the necessity of preparedness. We are, every one of us, living examples of the process of getting ready.

It will be remembered that George Washington is spoken of as "First in war, first in peace and first in the hearts of his country men." He was also the first advocate of national preparedness. He urged upon Congress that this country should prepare itself for adequate defense against possible enemies. If his advice had been followed, the present agitation on the subject would probably not have been necessitated. But nations, like individuals do not always heed the warnings for their own good. Right here let me quote to you the exact words of Washington, which hold as true for us of today as when spoken by him.

"There is a rank due the United States among nations which will be withheld, if not absolutely lost by the reputation of weakness. If we desire to avoid insult, we must be able to repel it; if we desire to secure peace, one of the most powerful instruments of our rising prosperity, it must be known that we are at all times ready for war."

"To be prepared for war is one of the most effectual means of preserving peace. A free people ought not only to be armed but disciplined to which end an uniform and well digested plan is requisite."

We can then truthfully say that in today's prosperity the wise man or nation prepares for tomorrow's adversity.

In establishing a bank the first move after the legal matters are attended to and the necessary rights obtained is the selling of the capital stock. For this stock the bank obtains money which is an asset, but this money or asset is offset by the outstanding stock which is a liability, so that on one side of the ledger we have a liability which is equal to the cash received or asset.

Then comes the money received on deposit which is an asset, but this is also offset or balanced on the other side of the ledger by the total deposits which are liabilities. So we might go on mentioning different items on the ledger but it is unnecessary as my point is this—that wherever you find an asset on the one side of the ledger you will find on the other side an item which equals it and which is a liability. It is true that some items on the side of liabilities may be the individual profits, or surplus, a reserve fund if you wish, but regardless of this it is still a liability which must be as carefully guarded as any other item there in. It is equally true that an item of assets or resources may be simply book value and not a real asset at all.

Can we then sit down and consider

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L. C. STEVENS,
Middle Intervale, Bethel, Maine.

NOTICE.

Soon after the close of my dancing class I shall give an exhibition of the late new dances followed by a dance given in conjunction with the class. Music by orchestra from Berlin. Watch for date.

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BETHEL AND VICINITY.

Miss Cleo Russell was in Portland, Saturday.

Miss Annie Hamlin is visiting her brother in Vermont.

Mr. and Mrs. Dollison Conroy were in Lewiston, Saturday.

Miss Mona Martyn was in Portland a few days last week.

Mr. Chas. Cross of Colebrook, N. H., is visiting relatives in town.

Nora Bennett from North Newry is visiting Mrs. Arthur Brink.

Mrs. Harry Jordan went to Portland, Tuesday, for an operation.

Mrs. T. G. Chapman and Miss Jessie Brown were in Lewiston, Saturday.

Mr. Percy Farnham of Bowdoin was a week end guest at Dr. F. B. Tuell's.

Miss Ethel Cole from East Bethel is visiting her sister, Miss Bertha Cole.

Mr. James L. Webb of Berlin, N. H., was the guest of friends in town, Sunday.

Mr. Alton B. Williamson of Rumford was the guest of relatives in town last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Park and Mrs. S. P. Stearns were in South Paris, Tuesday.

Mrs. N. B. Springer and daughter, Florence, were in Lewiston one day last week.

Mrs. Frank Bartlett is visiting her sister, Mrs. Ralph Perkins, at South Paris for a few days.

Mrs. W. H. Young and son, Donald, are spending the week in Norway, visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. Albert Clark has returned to Wentworth Institute, Boston, after spending a short vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clark.

Millinery Opening, Friday and Saturday, March 31, April 1. L. M. Stearns. See advt.

Mr. M. L. Thurston, who has been ill, is improving.

Miss Elsie Davis was in Portland one day last week.

Mrs. John Swan visited relatives in Locke's Mills, Friday.

Miss Helen Staples of Hanover is a guest of Mrs. Abbie Bean.

Marion Bean from West Bethel is working for Mrs. Ella Carter.

Mrs. Chas. Davis, who has been ill the past week, is convalescent.

Mrs. Lewis Mann of West Paris was calling on friends in town, Friday.

J. B. Ham Co. unloaded five carloads of grain the first of the week.

Miss Norma Frost of The Glenn is a guest of her aunt, Mrs. Mitchell.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph H. Young were guests of relatives in Norway, Tuesday.

Miss Gladys Graver was a guest of Mrs. W. H. Foley one day last week.

Mrs. Gardner Roberts of Hanover was a guest of Mrs. Lenore Howe, Monday.

Miss Alta Cummings from Albany is spending a few days with Mrs. Eva Morrill.

Mr. John B. Martin of Rumford was a business visitor in town one day last week.

Mrs. Leona Morrill is stopping with her daughter, Mrs. Levi Browne, for a few weeks.

Mrs. Fred Philbrook has returned from Boston with all the latest styles in dressmaking.

Miss Mildred Bonnerman, who is in Portland for medical treatment, was at home over Sunday.

Mr. E. R. Ray and family left for Massachusetts, Tuesday, where they will make their home.

Miss Marlin Mansfield of Smith College is spending her vacation with her mother, Mrs. Ella Mansfield.

Charles H. Pike of the Dennis Pike Real Estate Agency of Norway was a business visitor in town, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ezra M. Cross of Berlin, N. H., were Sunday guests of Mrs. Abbie Bean and Miss Annie Cross.

Miss Alice Capen and Miss Cornelia Chapman were in Livermore Falls, Saturday, to attend the Chapman concert.

Mrs. J. M. Philbrook and Mrs. Fred Philbrook went to Lewiston, Wednesday to attend the dressmakers opening.

Miss Margaret C. Herrick of Mt. Holyoke College is with her parents, Judge and Mrs. A. B. Herrick, for a short vacation.

Miss Blanche Richardson, who has been spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Richardson, returned to her school at Livermore Falls, Saturday.

Mrs. A. G. Wiley and daughter, Olive, of Bar Mills, who have been the guests of Mr. A. C. Frost and family and Mr. E. L. Edwards and family the past week, returned home, Tuesday.

Among those who attended the Republican Convention in Portland last week were: Messrs. H. H. Hastings, F. F. Bean, H. Mason, A. Van Dine, Ezekiel, A. E. Herrick, E. M. Walker, D. G. Lovejoy, Ed. Barker.

The Sunday School "Contest School," was held in the chapel of the Universalist Church last Saturday and was a very enjoyable affair. Leaders have been chosen for another contest which will be started next Sunday and every member of the school should be present as to be enrolled.

Don't forget the band concert and dance, this Thursday evening.

New Spring Goods at L. M. Stearns. See advt.

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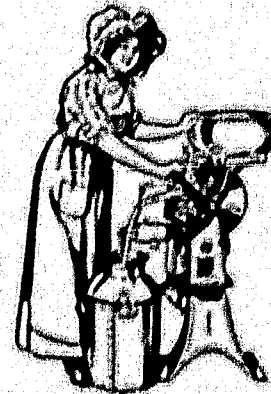
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ARE YOU A SUCCESSFUL
BAND?

By Mrs. Edith W. Colson
Brooklyn Eagle.

By a successful husband, mean a man who has amusements, or one who even owns in which he lives. Neither a man who has won for himself a name among men.

But I do mean this: "Are husband, a success?" If not, When you go home from your business or in from the night, are you glad that you have come to your wife and baby do you show that gladness face as you greet them?

Or do you carry the worried day home with you, kick the dog as you enter the door, frighten children by your harsh voice, tempored ways, and scold the little wife and mother for making the child, or had to leave under the day?

Some husbands seem to have so many more annoyances than their when in their hearts they wouldn't change places with a week, not even for their whole salary.

It is right that the wife greet her husband with a smile he comes home at night, but there should be some smiling other side of the house too, ought to be easier for him to for his surroundings are changed close of the day; he goes into atmosphere, while she remains midst of all that frosts and work for days, sometimes weeks at And in her work, that of householding and training into citizenship nothing, when comes yours.

In the September issue of known magazine for women, a heading, "Are You a Successful Wife?" mention is made of a wife is making her husband through her ability in knowing to talk, when to keep still, and how to do both. Also in never or thinking a discouraging thing him.

Now, in my opinion he expects much of his wife. She is spending most of her life catering to his and moods, studying how to please him, and handling him carefully as she would a basket of eggs.

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Why should the giving of no studying of the other's needs, on one side? Why not give and each for the good of the other? or I repeat, "Are you a successful band?" If not, bend low while I per to you the secret: You think are giving that wife of yours all the needs when you supply her the necessary food and clothing, are not. Give her companionship, sympathy, tenderness, love. You really to bestow upon her love, intentions in your courtship days, made her happy then; why not if she's that kind of a woman?

Someone has truly said, "Man is of his life a thing apart; 'tis his whole existence." And so, you go home tonight greet your children with a smile and let them see you are glad to be them. And when the little ones snugly tucked away in bed, go their mother, whom you promise love and cheerfulness, lift her face, look into her tired eyes, tell her, as you used to do, how she means to you. Do it often. will be surprised at the result. Years which have weighed so heavy

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upon her shoulders will fall away, and the light which is not on sea or land will shine in her eyes, because love is there.

With a song in her heart and a smile on her lips, she will go about her daily tasks, able to accomplish no much more because of love. Try it. O men! for then only will you be successful husbands. But if you have no time to spend with such foolishness, if you have no room or use in your life for those daily manifestations of love after marriage, then I say in all earnestness and reverence, "God pity the woman who has married or is to marry you!"

MY PRAYER.

I would be kind, O Lord, in thought and word and deed;
Help me that I may see another's need;

Dark is the way at times, for all, and rough the road;
May I reach out and help to bear the other's load;

If only by a smile, a word, a touch of loving sympathy,
Then shall my own path brighter, smoother be.

I would be kind, O Lord, for all around
Are hearts that ache, though lips give forth no sound;

Brave hearts, that patiently beat on from day to day,
Bearing, perchance, a heavier load than mine, upon life's way;

A sister or a brother, needing all the kindness I can give,
Let my voice speak the words which give them strength to live.

I would be kind, O Lord, to everyone I meet;
But most of all to him and her, whose weary, lagging feet
Falter or fall to keep the straight and narrow way;

Whose sad eyes, full of tears, can see no hopeful ray
Shine through the darkness with which their sky's overcast.

Let my hand be outstretched to help,
No long as life shall last.

I would be kind, O Lord, through all the coming year;
Life is so short, and those I love, are dear.

'Tis such a little while that they with me, can stay,
I would be tender, kind and loving every day.

Thus shall I follow in the path my Saviour trod,
And bring to earth a nearer glimpse of heaven, and of God.

MIDDLE INTERVAL.

Cold winter's chain is broken now,
The sun's warm rays refresh the earth;
Our hearts in gratitude will howl
To Him who gave to spring its birth.

Michael Teller is cutting cordwood for the Carters and later on will cut pulp wood.

Supt. Byram and wife were here Saturday.

Horas in several places have been killed and some of the owners have purchased new ones.

Mrs. J. H. Carter, Jr. has been to North Newry and from there to Canada.

Some of the workmen on the Carter have finished work and some now have come.

Mr. Teller spent Sunday in Berlin at his home.

Mrs. J. Oliver is making an extended visit in Massachusetts and other places.

Military opening, Friday and Saturday, March 31, April 1. L. M. Stearns. See advt.

WEST BETHEL.

Daniel Morrill died at his home, Monday at the age of 79 years, 10 months. He was born in Raymond and was the son of William and Margaret Morrill. When very young he came to Bethel and married Rebecca Serber, who died soon after. He then married Mary Wheeler, who survives him. Eight children were born to them and all are living. They are: Mrs. Helen Tyler, Mrs. Clara Abbott, Mildred L., and George D., of West Bethel; Mrs. Alice Watson and Arthur F., of Norway; Ernest L., of Mason; and Mrs. Lillian Horne of Mexico. He was a very prosperous lumberman and farmer, and has not enjoyed good health for several years. The funeral was at his late home, Wednesday, and interment at Pine Grove Cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Morrill were married sixty years.

Mrs. M. M. O'Reilly and Miss Mabel Scribner were in Norway, Monday.

Mrs. Alden Mason, Jr., has returned from Portland, where she underwent an operation at the Maine General Hospital, very much improved.

W. D. Mills and E. L. Orinway were in Gorham and Berlin, N. H., one day last week.

Mrs. W. A. Farwell is quite ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Westleigh were in Norway and South Paris, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Farwell of Bethel were Sunday guests of relatives here.

Mrs. P. W. Vashaw and children returned Monday from the lake region, where Mr. Vashaw has been logging.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Allen of Bethel spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Allen.

Chas. Pike was in town one day last week on real estate business.

Mr. and Mrs. Blon F. Brown and children of Bethel were Sunday guests of Mrs. Helen Tyler.

Mrs. Alice L. Watson of Norway and Mrs. Lillian Horne of Mexico are in town, being called here by the sickness and death of their father, Daniel Morrill.

Ruby A. Luxton, who has been confined to her room for several weeks, is again able to be about.

G. D. Morrill has returned from So. Paris, where he served as a member of the jury.

The dance at the Grange Hall, Saturday evening was not largely attended, owing to the bad travelling. Music was furnished by Mrs. Ralph Young of Bethel and Mrs. Frederick Bean of East Bethel.

Millinery Opening, Friday and Saturday, March 31, April 1. L. M. Stearns. See advt.

HANOVER.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Davis entertained at what Wednesday evening, with the usual number present. First prizes were won by Martha Bartlett and Roy Stearns; consolation, Emily Roberts and Alton Bartlett. Refreshments of sandwiches, fancy cookies, punch and candy were served.

Mrs. Joe Maddox visited at J. J. McPherson's one day last week.

Leola Davis of Locke's Mills spent the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Davis.

Parker Russell is at home on a short vacation from the U. of M. Orono.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Holt entertained the Whist Club, Saturday evening. First prizes were won by Emily Roberts and Eli Stearns; consolation, Kate Howe and S. P. Davis. Refreshments of sandwiches, cake, doughnuts, fancy cookies and ice cream were served.

Sam McPherson spent the week end in Hanford.

Mrs. Nancy Silver, who fell in her room and broke her leg two weeks ago, remains about the same. She is eighty-two years old.

Sugar makers are very busy tapping trees and making ready for the "sugaring."

John Howe and mother of East Bethel were guests at Gustave Kimball's, Sunday.

New Spring Goods at L. M. Stearns. See advt.

RUMFORD POINT.

G. W. Curtis went to Corinna, Monday, to attend the funeral of his mother.

Ivan Stowe came home from Hurdley River, Tuesday.

Allee Hopkins came home from Wilton, Saturday.

George Mass returned from Black Brook, Wednesday.

George Duran is getting out lumber to repair his barn.

CANTON

Mrs. Costello Fletcher and granddaughter, Bernice Handy, went to Auburn, Saturday, to visit the former's daughter, Mrs. Laura Morrill, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Richardson have been spending a few days in Boston. Principal of the Canton High School, D. B. Partridge, has been secured to deliver the Memorial address in Canton, May 30th.

A meeting of the Jersey Breeders' Association was held at Canton Grange Hall, Friday.

Miss Eva Briggs has finished work at West Fownal and returned home.

Harland Bryant of Island Falls has been a guest at the home of E. L. Bisbee. Mrs. Bryant and child returned with him.

Miss Nina Russell of Portland is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Russell.

Mrs. Augusta Eastman of East Sumner is at work for Mrs. Geo. W. Brown.

Mrs. E. P. Bryant has been attending the Advent conference at Mechanic Falls.

Guy F. Boothby has returned from South Paris, Ill. with the grip.

Miss Dorothy Hayes of the Leland Powers School of Oratory, Boston, and Miss Winnifred Roberts of Canton, who is a student of E. W. Hamscom of Lewiston will give an entertainment at Canton Grange Hall sometime in May.

H. E. Hall and family have been visiting relatives in South Paris.

Alma Holbrook has been a guest of friends in Hartford, where she was a former teacher.

Miss Agnes Heald has returned from a visit with her sister at Tale au Haute. Mrs. Evelyn Dunn has returned home.

Mary I. Richardson has recovered sufficiently to finish her school at Peru this week.

Ronelle H. Keene has been ill.

Word has been received of the death of Mrs. Esther Gammon of Rockton, Ill., at the advanced age of 91 years. Mrs. Gammon was a native of Canton and a sister of the late Daniel Bisbee. She was the widow of Elbridge Gammon, a former resident of Peru, a brother, Col. Horatio Bisbee, of Jacksonville, Fla., and a sister, Miss Maria Bisbee, of Evansville, Ind., survive.

A delightful birthday surprise party was given Arthur Westgate last week. The guests were entertained with whist and dancing, and refreshments were served. He was the recipient of some nice gifts.

Mrs. B. W. Butterfield has been entertaining Miss Gertrude Berry of Berry's Mills.

Principal and Mrs. D. B. Partridge are spending a portion of their vacation in Norway.

David Freeman cut his thumb badly, Sunday night, while splitting wood.

Miss Vera Adams returned to her school at Hangeley, Saturday, after a vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Adams.

Miss Florence Childs has been visiting in Biddeford.

About \$15 was cleared from the supper served Wednesday under the auspices of Canton Grange, which will be used to purchase books for the library.

Mrs. Lola Leavitt and daughter of Biddeford were in town last week.

Chas. C. Ellis, who has been very ill, is slowly convalescing.

Frank and Charlotte Bicknell are visiting their grandparents at Chester-ville.

Mrs. M. J. Howes spent the week end with friends at Rumford.

Mrs. E. E. Westgate has recovered from an attack of tonsillitis.

The village schools closed Friday.

Miss Pauline House has returned to her home in North Paris.

John Briggs returned home from South Paris, Sunday.

Seven candidates were initiated at the meeting of Pouchard Robekah Lodge, Friday evening, and supper served.

Florence Childs has resumed work in the post office after a few weeks vacation.

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vacation.
Mrs. Charles West of Hartford has been very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Vinton Bridge of Portland are guests of her mother, Mrs. Nellie Hutchinson.

Carl Handy, Geo. W. Carson, G. L. Wadlin and J. K. Parlan have been attending the republican convention in Portland.

W. J. Hild and family went to Hale, Saturday.

Bernady Wadlin and Geo. Lavorgna are at home from Lebanon for their vacation.

A son has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Bartholomew Romano.

Miss Joanne Harrows has returned home from the hospital at Brockline, Mass.

Mrs. Joan C. Parlin of Albion is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Horace Warden.

Ada Deacey, Ruth and Mildred Richardson who at home from Leavitt Institute for a week's vacation.

Elonza Peller of Hartford observed his 97th birthday, Saturday.

Miss Gladys Duck is caring for Mrs. Henry Brown, who is very poorly. Her daughter, Mrs. P. C. Barker of Hebron has been with her the past week.

Miss Ethel W. Russell and nephew, Fred Russell, of East Peru, are visiting the former's sisters, the Misses Arlene and Iva Russell, of Brockton, Mass.

Clarence Alley had his four fingers and the end of his thumb saved from his left hand, Saturday, while at work in the mill of Irish & Gammon, at Hartford Centre.

Hessy Wadlin has been entertaining a few friends from Hebron and only at his home. They were Miss Marie March of Passy, Miss Margaret

Grant of Portland, Stanton Carville of Stratton and Homer Chase Jr., of Auburn. Thursday evening a party was held in their honor, several young people in town being invited. Friday they took a snowshoe tramp to the camp of Mr. Wadlin and enjoyed a macaroni dinner. Friday evening they went to Dixfield to attend a drama and dance. They returned to their homes, Saturday afternoon.

Alphonso F. Russell attended the golden wedding of his brother and wife at Leeds, Friday evening.

Mrs. C. W. Walker, who has been ill at the home of her parents in Auburn, is improving in health.

NORTH WATERFORD.
The Ladies' Circle was entertained at the vestry, Tuesday evening by Louisa Lord, Emma Henley and Emma Gray. There was a good attendance, and all enjoyed the Longfellow program. The next circle in two weeks is to be entertained by the young men.

Athena Butters, who has been visiting Mrs. T. E. Gray, has returned home.

Mrs. Lena Hill, who has been with her mother, Mrs. Martha Bisbee, has returned home and Mrs. Lillian Douglass is with Mrs. Bisbee, who remains about the same.

Mrs. Georgia McAllister has finished work at the hotel and is with her daughter, Mrs. Carlton Millett, helping to care for her and a young son.

Mr. and Mrs. Merton Kimball leave at once for Lancaster, Mass., where he has employment on the farm connected with the industrial school of that place.

Annie Newcomb has been spending a short vacation at her home.

Elizabeth Saunders is in Portland at the present time for medical treatment.

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BETHEL MEN'S CLUB.

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our assets without at the same time looking at the other side of the ledger and considering our liabilities if we wish to keep the balance so that we may at all times be ready, prepared if you please, for an examination.

At this time you hear from numberless sources about the great and increasing wealth of the United States and how we are becoming bloated with tremendous riches, and now, if ever, it seems that it is absolutely necessary that we, as a nation and a people, should be considering well what were our liabilities as well as our immense assets.

Considering whether or not we have been able to meet the conditions which have existed in Mexico for the last few years, and whether or not we have met our liabilities there in the protection of our citizens. Have we not neglected, through fear of suffering and criticism, to prevent by meeting our responsibilities what we might have prevented had we not could we not, realizing fully our responsibilities, by a positive and firm stand, combined with prompt action have prevented to a great extent the wholesale murder of Americans and the rape of American women? Some one cries what about our neutrality, we are neutral, we love peace and quiet, we are a great people (the greater and more powerful we are the greater the liabilities) and too proud to defend our own. Christ himself was not too proud to defend his father's house nor did he hesitate, but grasping the first weapon at hand drove the money lenders and traders from him into the street, and he was the prince of peace. He met that liability, as did he them all, in the right way and with prompt and efficient action.

Pontius Pilate is one of our greatest examples of absolute neutrality, the man who washed his hands of the greatest crime in history, though it were the fulfilling of God's plan and all people were to benefit thereby, can never be excused from his act. The nation who, while it may meet all its commercial obligations with promptness, disregards in the least its higher obligations to itself, its people and humanity regardless of the cost, cannot be excused.

Mexico is however nothing but a slide show compared with that with which we are confronted in Europe. Here again we have always met our commercial obligations but have either neglected or only partially recognized our higher ones.

Nearly one year ago American citizens were warned off or forbidden as it were the freedom of the seas. Did we then realize and meet that liability, a government's liability to its people? Could we not have prevented the disaster to the Lusitania had we by prompt and firm action have given the German representative to this country to understand, with an uncertainty, that Americans would take orders only from the officials of their own country and not from any other source, and that he or his government must command that warning at once and guarantee the safety of American citizens. There was ample time so that this could have been done in the five days between the publication of the warning and the sailing of the vessel. Had this been done the other like disasters would have also been prevented.

It has been said that there is nothing worth fighting for but National honor, for in the National honor is involved the National independence. I know that a State may find itself in such circumstances that preference may force a wise government

to conceal the sense of indignity, but the insult should be engraved on a tablet of brass with a pencil of steel, and when the time and chance which happens to all shall bring forward the favorable moment, then let the avenging arm strike home.

It is by avowing and maintaining this stern principle of honor that peace can be preserved. You will feel with me that our National honor is the best security for our peace and prosperity; that it involves at once our wealth and our power.

We have been told that the principle of this country is peace and commerce. The avowal of such a principle will leave us neither commerce nor peace; it invites others to prey on that commerce which we will not protect and share the wealth which we dare not defend—but let it be known that you stand ready to sacrifice the last man and the last penny in the defense of National honor, and those who would have assailed it will be aware of you.

The pen is indeed mightier than the sword, except only when we use our pen and the other fellow uses his sword.

I have always been proud that I was an American, a free American. I had felt that I could travel the world around and be respected as an American by reason of what our generation and those gone before had written into the records of the United States of America, sometimes even with good blood of real men. Shall I be able still to have such a feeling or must I now be just an American, a man no longer free and to be respected because of his citizenship.

In the presence of the greatest tragedy in the history of civilization which grips Europe today, in what light do we Americans stand before humanity? Are we the innocent bystanders? To many it seems that the United States among all neutral nations has an actual interest and advantage in the progress and continuation of the war. We appear in a sense to be the sole beneficiaries of the wholesale death and destruction now going on between the contestants. Every loss, of whatever kind, to them is considered in the light of a gain to our country. The daily press is filled with comparisons that invariably and always reflect to our superior position in civilization and our improved prosperity due to the loss in property, commerce and treasure of the belligerents while of the moral and spiritual lessons to be drawn, there is scarcely a mention made.

Anyone who insists for a moment that we are neutral in theory or practice is in the position of the person who couldn't see the woods for the trees. There is far less neutrality in these United States than there is anywhere else in the world today, so why attempt by edict, or proclamation to create a false and misleading attitude within the nation, the effect of which already betrays a monstrous selfishness at the cost of other peoples' lives?

Is it possible that the leaders of our nation are still so blind as to delude themselves that this is a war of several or a dozen nations against one another? Can we not see after eighteen months of upheaval that this is the greatest "boulverement" of spiritual, moral and material forces in the known history of civilization? And do we as a people, as administrators, as executives, neutrals or adherents believe for one single instant that this upheaval will leave us unscathed? Are we selected by the Grace of God to be the sole commercial beneficiaries of this war of the world? Do we think that we may acquire all the advantages without declaring our stand or making any sacrifice?

We have had civil war in our country once before; must we have it again before we realize that our power is made secure only through the sacrificial fire of the spiritual suffering.

In the commercial world the failure to meet our liabilities brings disaster and often ruin. Does not this rule hold equally true as regards those higher obligations or liabilities and will not our failure to meet them just as surely bring the same result?

It seems quite plain that the failure to meet a liability at the proper time, does not free us from that liability but only tends to increase it, getting us in deeper and deeper and multiplying our troubles.

If these rules are true about a nation they will still hold true about a community or an individual, only in the smaller sense. We can well say that the only thing worth fighting for in a

man's life is his personal honor, for in his personal honor is involved his individual independence.

Mr. Hutchins has already told us that our chief assets are our boys and girls of the community. If this be true are they not then also a great liability which we can not disregard without loss to ourselves and to them. The realizing and unfettering unholy meeting of our community and individual obligations or liabilities in every sense of the word are to turn them either into a greater and larger asset or a greater liability.

Do fathers and mothers realize that on them to a great extent rest the future happiness and usefulness of their children? When they do they will meet their liabilities in such a manner that our community will become such a one as we have seen in our dreams, and the child will receive from those who are responsible for his existence a training that shall fit him mentally, spiritually and physically to become a useful citizen wherever he may be found. He will realize fully, at the proper time, that while he was not the author, he is the finisher of his own destiny on earth.

The child has every right to expect much from his parents and the parent has no right to look on his offspring during those years the child is developing as an asset in a commercial sense; for everything the child is made to do should be something of a nature that is contributing to his or her future betterment. Communities realizing this can do no better service than to see that children whose parents do not realize this fact, or whose circumstances force them to turn their children to a commercial use, are given every opportunity for getting away from such environment and placed where they will receive an equal chance with the more fortunate child. Man is the most dependent of all creatures, and being such he and his fellows must combine their energies toward everything that is of mutual benefit and good to all. This being true we as a community must meet or get together in a common fellowship, that we may work together with efficiency and accomplish those things which we wish with regard to ourselves and our posterity.

We might go on mentioning different items of our liabilities, such as our duty to ourselves and to each other, the support due from us for the accomplishment of anything mutually beneficial, mentioning among other things our churches, our schools, our streets, sidewalks and everything pertaining to a better, cleaner community. This seems unnecessary for the rule which holds for one is for another. That is that there is no asset without an equal liability and the greater the assets the greater the liabilities. Upon our ability to realize and willingness to acknowledge our liabilities at all times and our readiness or preparedness to meet them promptly and firmly depend whether or not they shall become larger and larger and in the end bring more troubles and perhaps ruin, or have been turned to such good account that we shall have a reserve which will be a support and stay in times of stress.

After all it seems to me it is really just you and I. We must each one for himself think and realize what are his liabilities, not only commercial but those of a moral and spiritual nature. When we can and will do this we become citizens, in deed and in truth, worthy to be called such; our community becomes one of good repute and a power in the state; and such a man, such communities and such states go to the making up of a great and powerful nation that shall be held in respect by all the different peoples and nations on the earth.

SONGO POND.

The Circle of Bethel Grange met with Mrs. Geo. Haggood, Tuesday.

Mrs. Herman Brown spent Tuesday at "Songo Lake Cottage," with Mrs. A. B. Kimball.

Urban Deconter and Guy Cummings, who are working for Abner Kimball, cutting wood on Emery Hill, killed a black snake over a foot long, Monday, March 27.

Mrs. Sara Emery and baby, Elmo, went to Auburn, Saturday.

Miss Marion Connors of Auburn is visiting at F. H. Bennett's.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Kimball called at Eben Barker's and Frank Emery's, Sunday.

C. M. Upton was in Norway over Sunday.

New Spring Goods at L. M. Stearns. Has advt.

"WELCOME SPRING."

After a bitter March, Spring has come at last. So let us forget the cold and bitter past. For Spring is before us. With its sunny smile, And I'm sure it is here To stay, for awhile. So let us see the flowers, And hear the birds sing A welcoming welcome To our gentle Spring.

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THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

Events of Interest from Washington.

By J. E. Jones.

THE FROTH AND THE FLAME.

A couple of years ago the Washington newspaper writers were kept busy by the "crisis" in affairs with England, growing out of the Panama canal dispute, and one of the officials formerly at Panama has related within the past few days that the feeling was so bitter that nearly everyone on the isthmus was ready to enlist—if they might have the privilege, to "go and fight England." And it was only the forepart of the present month that the executive and legislative branches of the government were seriously discussing going to war with Germany. In a few hours the nature of all the excitement changed, and the American "war correspondents" felt the thrill of delight at being back on the old job, with Mexico in the big headlines. No one can deny the seriousness of present conditions, but the greatest of all this the hysteria and chip-on-the-shoulder attitude of our citizens. If the cooled-headed people in control of public affairs continue to keep the mastery of the situation, the moth and the froth will escape most of the flame, and the United States will be the most respected nation of the world, because of its neutrality. The wonderful sense of right and justice guiding the present generation, is evidence of the wisdom of our democratic form of government.

BURTON STUCK IS HIGH.

A few days ago former Senator Theodore E. Burton, of Ohio, visited the floor of the Senate. There was a noticeable stir of interest, and some one in the press gallery called attention to the fact that five men who had been more or less prominently mentioned for the republican nomination were in the Chamber. However, as the weeks and days bring the Chicago convention closer, the number of men who continue to be regarded as actual "political timber," are decreasing. A few who were "favorite sons" in their own states awhile ago, have already been relegated to the discard. One of the pivotal states this year is Ohio—the "home of presidents. It is united in its support of Burton, and indications are that it is going to be the republican flag against his candidacy. There has been a good deal of talk to the effect that Mr. Wilson, in choosing his new Secretary of War from Ohio, anticipated a contest with Mr. Burton in the campaign, and used the occasion to strengthen himself in the state from which his opponent was likely to come. Mr. Burton has one of the best records of any man who has been in Congress during recent years. He was a foe to "jerk barrel" legislation and graft of every kind. In his last great fight up on the 1914 bill, his arguments were so strong that President Wilson was drawn into the open, and supported Burton, to the great discomfort of partisans of his own political faith. This remarkable instance of a republican senator receiving the endorsement of the White House after having defeated the united opposition of members of all parties who had combined to get their own appropriations through by the old system of trading support for a unique in political history. In Washington Mr. Burton is regarded as one of the ablest men in public life during recent years. He is "presidential size," and since he is satisfactory to the different elements in the republican party, it is perfectly natural that his candidacy should be favorably received among the leading members of that party and particularly those who are most familiar with his career in the House and Senate.

BODY BLOW TO TRADING STAMPS.

The United States Supreme Court handed down a number of decisions sustaining the restrictions placed upon trading stamps and coupon schemes by state legislatures. Under two of these decisions trading stamps are driven out of Florida and the State of Washington. It is interesting to note the lack of good opinion by the Supreme Court as evidenced by the statement in one of the decisions, which first treats of advertising as "well deserved," with "nothing ulterior; it is the practice of old and familiar transactions and has sufficed." But the schemes of trading stamp promoters are declared to "have no such directness and effect. They rely upon something else than the ar-

guments so sold. They tempt by a promise of a value greater than that article and apparently not represented in its price, and it hence may be thought that thus by an appeal to cupiditas, lure to improvidences. This may not be called in an exact sense a "lottery," may not be called "gaming;" it may, however, be considered as having the seduction and evil of such."

COOK STILL CLAIMS THE POLE.

Dr. Frederick A. Cook was in Washington the other day, and made his annual claim to the pole. Dr. Cook insists that he "saw it first," and he wants an investigation by Congress, to prove his statements. A good many people are beginning to wonder why it is that Dr. Cook should be denied the simple justice of "trial by his peers."

The Peary claims were accepted almost without question, notwithstanding they were quite as hazy as those of Dr. Cook's. It is an easy thing to keep a man in the "fakir" class when he is all along denied the right to state his case before a fair tribunal.

SEVERE TEST OF PAN-AMERICANISM.

Director-General John Barrett, of the Pan-American Union, says that the Mexican situation will bring about a severe test of our friendly and helpful relations toward the Latin-American republics. He seems to think that if we make a clean job of handling Villa, that it will result in a boom for Monroe doctrines and the new all-American diplomacy. The little fellows down in South America feel that they have outgrown their swaddling clothes, and they like the partnership idea in settling the affairs of the new world. Barrett and other authorities believe that our future salvation rests in making the southern republics as useful to us as we are to them.

BORLAND'S SILLY NOTION.

Representative Borland of Missouri, is the most unpopular man in Washington; all because he wanted to fire 3,500 civil service clerks who have nothing to do except sign the pay-roll; and to make the balance of the government clerks work from nine in the morning until five in the afternoon. The Washington Herald voices the plaint of the clerks by saying this was a "plan to saddle an excessive working day on the government clerks of Washington."

The working day is all too long as it is, since there is hardly time for golf and tennis between half past four and "supper-time." If Borland had studied his political economy he might have known that Congress would hold to the old rule that "public office is a private snare," and would protect the people who are beneficiaries of the system.

COLDS QUICKLY RELIEVED.

Many people cough and cough—from the beginning of Fall right through to Spring. Others get cold after cold. Take Dr. King's New Discovery and you will get almost immediate relief. It checks your cold, stops the racking, rasping, tearing cough, breaks the inflammation, soothes the raw tubes. Easy to take, Antiseptic and Healing. Get a 50c bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery to-day. "It is certainly a great medicine and I keep a bottle of it continually on hand," writes W. C. Jesse, San Francisco, N. H. Money back if not satisfied.

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PROBATE NOTICES.

To All Persons Interested in Either of the Estates Hereinafter Named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixteen. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of April, A. D. 1916, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Isaac R. Morrill late of Bethel, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof and the appointment of A. A. Morrill as executor thereof without bond, presented by said A. A. Morrill, the executor thereof in named.

Athena G. Farwell late of Bethel, deceased; first and private accounts presented for allowance by Frank E. Stevens, administrator.

Olive R. Keene late of Sumner, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof and the appointment of Thelma L. Heald as executrix thereof without bond, presented by said Thelma L. Heald, the executrix therein named.

ADDISON E. HERRICK,
Judge of said Court.

A true copy—attest:
ALBERT D. PARK, Register.
3-30-16.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Tristram H. Durell late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereon are requested to make payment immediately.

DANIEL T. DURELL,
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Charles E. Priest, whose death occurred at her daughter's home on Franklin street last week. Mrs. Priest, who has been in ill health for about three years, has failed rapidly for the past two months. For many years Mr. and Mrs. Priest were residents of Pittsfield, Me., but about three years ago, moved to Somerville, Conn., where they have since resided. They have been spending the winter with their daughter in Rumford.

Besides her husband and daughter, Mrs. Blanchard, Mrs. Priest leaves another daughter, Mrs. W. E. Hartshorn. The funeral services were held on Tuesday afternoon from the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Blanchard, Rev. Allen Brown officiating.

Miss Florence Nelson, a student at Bates College, is spending the Easter vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nelson, of Hancock street. Charles Beals, for the past three years clerk at Leary's store, concluded his services there on Saturday evening last. He will return to Auburn and engage in his trade of cigar making.

Harry Stern has moved his family to Boston where he has secured employment.

Mrs. H. L. Steinfeld of Berlin, N. H., is visiting relatives and friends in town.

Miss Hazel McGregor is at home from Wellesley College to spend the Easter vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James McGregor, of Franklin street.

Miss Bernice Hood is at home from Bates College to spend the vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Hood.

Merle Wescott and Charles Miles, students at the University of Maine, are spending the Easter recess at their respective homes.

The Epworth League of the Franklin street Methodist church held a leap year social in the church vestry on Saturday night last. Gentlemen were admitted free, and ladies were charged ten cents admission. Old fashioned games were in order, and a fine social time enjoyed.

Miss Hazel Lovejoy is at the McCarly Hospital, where she has undergone a slight surgical operation.

Miss Alice Vickory of Auburn is the guest of Miss Beatrice Given for a week's stay.

Leo Steinfeld, formerly employed by Harry Marx, has left for Boston where he has secured a position.

Mr. George B. McMenamin has been appointed by President Wilson as postmaster of Rumford, and he will assume the office on April 6th. Mr. Atwood's term expires on April 5. Mr. McMenamin was born in Calais in 1862, coming to Rumford in 1892 and has always been active in the Democratic party. He has held several town offices, and served as village assessor two years. During his residence in town he has been engaged in the lumber trade. The nomination of Mr. McMenamin gives general satisfaction as he is well educated and it is thought that he will perform the duties of this important office in a satisfactory manner.

Mr. Fred H. Atwood has served efficiently for many years, and it is believed that Mr. McMenamin will make a fitting successor to the present postmaster.

On Monday evening of this week in the Virginia Memorial Chapel a unique but entertaining Home Missions Demonstration was given under the auspices of the local Christian Education Society. The complete portrayal of scenes in the U. S. Immigration Stations, when aliens arrive was given, and the costumes and other special features made the event one of great pleasure and profit. More than thirty men, women and children took part, representing about every foreign nation. The demonstration furnished a fine study of great foreign problems right at our own doors.

The delegates chosen to be sent to the Democratic State Convention in Bangor, March 29, were: Arthur J. Landry, Albert Beliveau, E. J. Roderick, Walter L. Chadwick, Daniel J. McCoy, George B. McMenamin, Fred Tucker; alternates, Allan J. Reed, Phil Howard, Peter Merritt, William Oyr, R. L. Melcher, Jr., Dr. Hiram F. Abbott. The following town committee has been elected: A. J. Landry, chairman; Henry G. Parry, secretary; E. J. Roderick, treasurer; Daniel McCafferty, Napoleon Landry, J. Harold Poor, Peter McDonald, John Martin, Rand Thurston, Fred Tucker, Allan J. Reed, Bert Scribner, Albert J. Pine, Peter Perry, William Lee, John Wiskont, Casper Barnis, George Coolidge and Lawrence Layvorn.

Miss Alice Niles, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Niles, entertained nine of her little friends at her home last week in honor of her ninth birthday. One of the interesting features of the afternoon was a large paper pie in the center of the dining table from the cover of which issued nine ribbon streamers. Upon pulling these ribbons, each little guest received a most unique favor as a souvenir of the good time. Delicious refreshments of chocolate ice cream, with all the accompanying goodies were served by Mrs. Niles to the little folks during the afternoon.

Mrs. Dana C. York of Stratglass Park is spending a week in Portland.

Mrs. Allan J. Reed of Lincoln avenue is making a visit with her parents in Lowell, Mass.

Mr. Frank Martin, who has been employed by the Maine Tel. & Tel. Co., in this town for the past winter season, has accepted a position with the New England Tel. & Tel. Co., in Portland.

Miss Hattie Varney is visiting her home in East Sumner.

Col. Horatio Bisbee of Florida, who came on with Mrs. Bisbee a short time ago for hospital treatment at Portland, died at his summer home in Dixfield, Me., Monday at about 11:30 A. M. Col. Bisbee realized some few weeks ago that he had a serious kidney trouble developing, and came north for treatment, and upon the advice of his nephew, Dr. C. M. Bisbee of this town, who met him in Boston, went to a specialist for X-ray examination, which examination disclosed conditions so serious that an operation was not deemed advisable. This condition developed very rapidly and the end came quickly on March 27. Col. Bisbee was one of the Bisbee family of Sumner and Hartford, a family tree which has produced many strong and vigorous characters. He was born in Canton, Me., May 4, 1830, was a student at Tufts College. When Lincoln's first call for volunteers came, enlisting for three months in a Massachusetts regiment. At the expiration of this service he returned to Maine, enlisted in Co. P 9th Maine Volunteers and was commissioned captain, was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel and afterwards Colonel of his regiment. He studied law at Rockford, Ill., attended to the bar, and located at Jacksonville, Fla., where he has made his home for many years. He served as U. S. District Attorney for the District of Florida with two full terms in Congress from the Jacksonville District. He has been twice married and has two sons and two daughters. His second wife is now at the Dixfield home where his loss is most keenly felt.

Mr. William Dyer, formerly in the office of the Metropolitan Insurance Co., has accepted a position with Charles Leary to take the place of Mr. Charles Beals.

EAST BETHEL.

Miss Ethel Cole is this week's guest of her sister, Miss Bertha Cole.

Mrs. Irving Kimball of Boston has been spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Holt.

Mrs. Guy Bartlett and son, Raymond, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Greenwood, in Vermont.

Mrs. G. N. Sanborn and two daughters of West Bethel are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Kimball.

Mrs. Helen Bryant of Locke's Mills has been doing dress making for E. A. Trask.

Z. W. Bartlett was at home from Hyattsville, Md., over Sunday.

New Spring Goods at L. M. Stearns'. See advt.

WILSON'S MILLS.

Guy and Marion Bean from Rangely have been visiting friends in town.

J. F. Inet has bought a house from Hamlin Bros.

P. J. Littlehals went to West Milan recently.

The Thurston Bros. moved out of the woods, Friday.

Leon Bennett finished two-shedding for Walter Emery and returned home, Friday.

It has commenced to look like spring since the crows have come back.

Mrs. Claude Linnell and two children are visiting her mother, Mrs. C. L. Wilson.

D. C. Bennett and son have bought a pair of horses from Walter Emery.

See you saw it in the Citizen.

ANDOVER

Ray Thurston returned from Portland, Saturday, where his son, Everett, is at the Eye and Ear Infirmary. A consultation of doctors was held the first of the week. Mrs. Thurston was with Everett several days.

Chas. Leonard, who has been working for Herbert Morton at Anisoccos, is at his home.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Akers are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, Saturday, March 25th.

Harrison Amber and wife of Rangely have been visiting friends in town.

Miss Helen Akers has returned to her school at Oxford.

The Ancient and Honorable Whist Club met at their rooms, Saturday evening. Mrs. Holton Abbott, Mrs. Bert Hanson and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Dunning were the entertaining committee for the evening. Mrs. Olive Dresser and Mr. Dunning won the first prizes, and Mrs. Holton Abbott and Y. A. Thurston the second. Refreshments of sandwiches, cake and coffee were served.

Chas. Ripley, wife and daughter from Mexico, visited his sister, Mrs. Nellie Leslie, a few days this week.

Cedric Thurston, who has been clerking at Anisoccos, is at his home.

Annie Akers has been quite ill with the grip this week.

Fred Smith was at Upton, Wednesday of last week.

Harrison Amber and wife were guests to tea of Clarence Newton and wife, Friday.

The K. of P. Lodge worked the rank of Knight on a candidate, Friday evening. Refreshments were served.

The Juvenile Whist met Saturday evening with a good number in attendance. Mrs. Louis Hall and Wm. Learned won the first prize. Mrs. Lewis Akers and Geo. Thomas the second. Dainty refreshments were served.

Born March 21, to the wife of Harland Averill, a daughter, Margaret Louise.

H. H. Morton and Y. A. Thurston came out from Anisoccos with their teams last week.

Geo. Thomas and wife were guests Sunday of their daughter, Mrs. Roger Thurston, and family.

Montgomery Poor, who is attending school at Orono, spent his vacation with his father, Charles T. Poor.

Owens Lovejoy was in Bangor last week.

Nathan Akers and family of Rumford visited his parents, Edward Akers and family, Sunday.

Ocell Swent and friends, Mr. Wallchrist, from Orono, spent their vacation with Mr. Swent's parents, C. C. Swent and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Allen of the Middle Dum were in town last week. Marshall Howard has been quite ill with the grip.

Y. A. Thurston attended the Democratic Convention at Bangor, Wednesday.

At the Young Peoples' Whist, Thursday evening last, Mrs. C. B. Newton and Archer Poor won the first prizes, and Mrs. Arthur Clark and Ira Bodwell the second.

Mrs. Frank Thomas has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Albert Thomas, at Norway.

The high school closed Friday, March 24, for a week's vacation.

The town schools reopened Monday with the following teachers: Village Grammar, Florence Akers; Village Primary, Edie Akers; No. 4, Elizabeth Baker; South Andover, Mrs. Fred Grover; East Andover, Miss Grace Leslie of Portland.

Mr. Frederick Pullman was in Boston last week.

P. P. Thomas has been on a business trip to Canada.

Miss Constance Poor and friend, Miss Strauss, from New York were guests at Glenis last week.

Mrs. Davis Rand is ill with the grip. Clarence Hall and family were guests of Winthrop Akers and family, Sunday.

GILEAD.

Althea Simpson has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Cyril Foster, at Dryden's Pond for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Lester are rejoicing over the birth of a son.

Archibald Heath has been confined to the house by illness.

Cesar Arsenault was in Berlin, N. H., last Thursday.

Jim Evans of Shelburne, N. H., was in town one day last week.

Herbert Wheeler returned home last Sunday after attending court at South Paris for a few days.

Mrs. Daisy Johnson is working at Larry Lester's.

New Spring Goods at L. M. Stearns'. See advt.

MIGHT JUST AS WELL.

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WEST PARIS

The annual meeting of the First Universalist Parish was held Tuesday evening, March 28, and the following officers elected:

Moderator, E. E. Wheeler, M. D. Clerk, L. H. Penley.

Treasurer, L. C. Bates. Trustees: L. C. Bates, F. E. Wheeler, M. D., E. D. Stilwell.

Delegates to State Convention at Norway in June, Mrs. L. C. Bates, Mrs. C. A. Riddell, E. J. Mann, Mrs. E. R. Davis.

Alternates: Mrs. F. H. Packard, L. M. Mann, Alice Penley.

It was voted that the Trustees nominate a committee to appoint officers and teachers for Sunday school, which were as follows: Della H. Lane, Elmer H. Lane, Ruth Tucker. On motion it was voted to observe the tenth anniversary of the dedication of the church, which was June 29, 1906, and the following officers were appointed: Rev. D. A. Ball, L. C. Bates, Mrs. F. E. Wheeler. Eight new members were admitted to the Parish. An unanimous invitation was extended to Rev. D. A. Ball to remain with the Society another year. All of the departments of the church work are in fine condition and very fine work has been done during the year.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving French of Newry are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Tuell.

Dr. F. E. Wheeler attended the Oxford Medical Association at Mechanic Falls, Monday.

Mrs. Maude Mann and daughter, Pearl, are guests of their aunt, Mrs. Hubbard, at Paris Hill.

Good interest and attendance was maintained during the series of meetings at the Universalist church last week when Rev. H. W. Haynes of Augusta assisted the pastor, speaking each evening on themes of vital importance.

Rev. D. A. Ball spoke Sunday morning, subject, "What of the Future." Four were united with the church.

HOW TO BRIDGE GRAFT.

Save Fruit Trees Girdled by Mice or Rabbits or Seriously Injured by Blight or Other Diseases.

Bridge grafting, the use of scions or small limbs to connect the cambium above and below a large wound or girdled strip, may be practiced successfully on almost any kind of fruit tree that can be propagated readily by grafting. It is used more often with the apple than any other fruit, but pear trees often are treated in this way, especially in certain sections. There seems to be no reason why the method should not also be successful on plums and cherries, according to Farmers' Bulletin 710, "Bridge Grafting of Fruit Trees," just issued by the Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. Peaches, however, graft less readily and there may be some question as to the usefulness of the method in the case of this fruit. While seldom used on shade or other ornamental trees, the author, W. P. Fletcher, writes that this method of grafting probably would prove successful in overcoming certain types of injuries to them.

Mechanical injuries which may be remedied are usually inflicted by animals, by burrowing insects, or by implements carelessly used. Various diseases, such as pear blight, also cause local injuries which may call for bridge grafting. The trunks of pear trees are not infrequently completely girdled and killed by pear blight.

Bridge grafting, if done in time, however, may save the tree.

The method also is useful when large areas of bark have been killed by sun scald or other troubles. The author of the bulletin points out, however, that protection of trees against rabbits and mice and diseases is, of course, better than having to bridge graft to overcome damage.

Method of Bridge Grafting. To be effective, bridge grafting

should be done in the spring before growth starts, though sometimes it can be done after growth starts if dormant scions for the purpose can be secured.

Prepare the wound in the tree by cutting away all dead tissue and thoroughly cleansing the injured parts. If possible, sterilize by washing with a solution of bichloride of mercury, copper sulphate, or some other antiseptic. The irregular edges of the bark above the girdled tract or wound should be cut back into an even edge, far enough from the wound to make certain that healthy cambium is under the bark.

For the grafting, select scions from wood of the previous season's growth, either branches which grew the preceding season or water sprouts that are only a year old. The scions should be a little longer than the space which is to be bridged, so they will arch slightly over the central part of the wound.

Bevel the scions at each end on the same side of the scion with a long sloping cut so that the wedge-shaped ends thus formed will be relatively thin and permit their being thrust well under the bark without danger of separating it unduly from the cambium at the points of insertion. The placing of the scions will be facilitated if the bark at the margins of the wound is slit for a short distance at the points where the ends are to be inserted.

Importance of Uniting Cambium. In placing the scions it is of the greatest importance that the cambium of the scions which is exposed in the sloping cuts at the ends be brought into intimate contact with the cambium that lies under the bark at the margins of the wounded area. The union of scion and tree can occur only where the cambium layers of the two come together. The scions may be secured in their proper positions, if need be, by driving a small nail through each end into the trunk. This will aid in drawing the cambium of scion and trunk closely together.

The operation is completed by thoroughly covering the area occupied by the ends of the scions and the margins of the wound with grafting wax, strips of waxed cloth, or by some other means that adequately will prevent these parts from drying out. Some operators cover the entire wound, scions and all, with melted wax. Where the bridged portion is below or near the ground, many operators conserve moisture by covering the grafts with earth.

Bridging from the Ground. Where the wound is so large as to make ordinary bridge grafting impossible, another method of bridging may be used. Two-year-old trees are planted about the base of the injured tree and their tops grafted into its trunk above the girdled space, which has first been cleaned as in the other method.

As the tops of the small trees are too large to manipulate readily in the manner described for scions, V-shaped vertical grooves extending through the cambium are cut just above the wounded area in the bark of the tree to be treated. The tops of the small trees are shaped to correspond with these grooves. The two are then accurately fitted together in such a manner as to bring the cambium of one into contact with that of the other. Small nails may be driven through the tops of the trees into the trunk, to hold the parts firmly together. The wounds incident to joining the tops of the small trees to the trunk of the large one should be well covered with wax, to prevent drying out. Sometimes cord is tied around the trunk to aid in holding the tops of the young trees in proper position.

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Interest and Rents, 84,567.67
All other Assets, 48,909.32

Gross Assets, \$11,084,163.23
Deduct items not admitted,
31,520.81

Admitted Assets, \$11,052,642.42
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.
Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 728,992.88
Unearned Premiums, 2,471,231.61
All other Liabilities, 1,200,000.00
Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, \$5,652,417.13

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POEMS WORTH
READINGIN THE DAYS OF THE OLD RED
SCHOOLHOUSE.

(With apologies to the author of "Rock Me to Sleep, Mother.")
Backward, turn backward, O! time in your flight,
Make us all children again for tonight,
Teachers, come back from that echo-less shore;
Stand once again in the old school-house door.
Hark! hear the bell as it calls us from play,
While manhood's and womanhood's years roll away.

Backward, flow backward, O! swift tide of years;
We are weary of toil, we are weary of tears,
Smooth the frowns our foreheads the furrows of care,
Take all the silver threads out of our hair.
We have toiled without recompense, our tears are in vain;
Take them, and give us our childhood again.

Throughout our lives, in the years that are flown,
No days like childhood have ever been known;
No days so free from all sorrow and care,
For father and mother love guarded us there;
And old to play tag in that school-yard once more
Ere the bell calls us in through the wide open door.

For some who will read, the grass has grown green
Many a summer, their faces between;
Yet memory brings them all to us, once more;
Pushing their way through the old school-house door
Pushing and running, with laughter, and shout,
Glad for the freedom of school let out.

There were Charlie and Leslie, Fred, Albert and Will,
There were Anna and Hattie, Bertha, Carrie and Nell;
With flower-sprinkled meadows, on either side,
We walked o'er the country roads, dusty and wide,
While the daisies and butter cups nodded as we passed,
And the soft summer breezes made waves o'er the grass.

And the birds sang, above us, around and below;
In choruses, and duets, now high, and now low,
But the one of all others we longed most to hear
When buds were all bursting, and summer was near,
Was the dear little hoboblink, merry and gay,
Who woke us so early those mornings in May.

Oh! the melody rare, in each warbling note
As it fell on the ear, from that wonderful throat.
And whether the day were cloudy or fair,
He sang just the same, as he flew through the air.
What lessons were taught us, what reverence to God,
As close to the great heart of nature we stood.

Then backward, turn backward, go! swift winging flight,
And let us be children again, for a night.
Buzothes from our foreheads the furrows of care,
Let us each once forget we have burdened to bear;
Forget all life's sorrows, its heartaches, its tears,
As we live o'er in memory, our youth's happy years.

By Edith Walcott Colson.
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AFTER DEATH.
By Ellen H. M. Gates.
At first when my face shall be changed
and I go
To dwell in silence that cannot be broken
A few whom I love will lament me, I know,
And eyes will be dim when my name shall be spoken.

If any have blamed me, their censures will cease,
For when the fall light of eternity flashes
There's nothing to do but to whisper of peace
And no one can war with a handful of ashes.

But, O, to be gone from the home that was mine;
With no more a share in its joy or

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William
Tell
Flour

its sorrow;
My part in its plans to forever resign,
No thought of today and no care for tomorrow.

All this is beyond me, how strange it will be,
To go on a journey that has no returning.
With year after year speeding on without me,
To gladden or grieve when the seasons are burning.

The children will lean their light weight on the stone,
To spell out my name and to question and wonder
What 'tis to lie there in the darkness alone,
Through moonlight and starlight and rolling of thunder.

But then in a moment some butterfly gay
Will hover above them and chide their delaying,
With beautiful wings it will lure them away,
And they will forget all the stone has been saying.

But I shall lie patiently there in my place,
The slumber a part of my life and my story;
Till sometime the morning will flash in my face
And I shall awake to its gladness and glory.

THE BROODING CHICK.
W'en gran'pa takes me on his knee
I'm just as glad as I kin be;
'Cause he's the bestest friend I got,
An' in his pockets they're a lot
Of candies, sugar-cakes an' things
Like dear ole gran'pa always brings.
An' he'll say: "Now, my little dear,
Let's see w'at's in this pocket here."
And I put in my hand and take 'em
Some candy out or else some cake.
'Nen gran'pa laughs, an' so do I;
He'll play he's s'pried an' say: "O! My!"
I wonder how that got in there;
Now, w'at do I git for my share?
He kin't be as nice as gran'pa w'en
Him when his tickle whiskers in
He hugs me tight, an' sez: "Oho!
Here's the jist the goodest boy I know."
An' I am good as I kin be
W'en gran'pa takes me on his knee.

When papa takes me on his knee
I ain't so glad as I might be.
He kin't be as nice as gran'pa w'en,
For he don't do like gran'pa does.
He on'y does it w'en he's mad,
An' w'en he sez I'm awful bad.
He don't like gran'pa's "carryin's on."
For on'y w'en gran'pa's been an' gone
He told me: "Any, it drives me wild
The way you go just sp'ite that child."
An' 'nen he maked a grab for me
An' upended downed me on his knee,
An' says: "Now if it's in the wood
I'll see if I can't make you good."
An' w'en pa let me off his knee
I promised him how good I'd be.

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Turkey raising is something of a specialty and requires a little different system from that of raising ordinary domestic fowls, but this difference is not such as should discourage anyone from making an attempt with them. With a little study of their habits and needs together with good common sense they should make a profitable side line on the average farm.

FAVORABLE NATURAL CONDITIONS.
Turkeys adapt themselves easily to various climates and can be raised successfully in any part of the country. But they unquestionably do best when the land is well drained, the soil not damp nor heavy and when there is plenty of natural shelter for them. This natural shelter is necessary since they must live almost entirely in the open.

VARIETIES.
The common varieties of turkeys in this country are the Bronze, Narragansett, White Holland, Black, Slate and Bourbon Red.

By far the most popular seems to be the Bronze, which is a cross of the Black (the English Norfolk turkey) with the original wild bird of this country. The Bronze is the largest and perhaps the hardiest of all the varieties. Next to it in size, probably next to it in popularity also, is the Narragansett—a cross with the Ameri can wild turkey, but with some Mexican wild turkey blood added, giving the mixture of white in the bronze and black plumage.

USE GOOD STOCK.
To start right with good, healthy stock is of the greatest importance in turkey raising. Carelessness here is sure to mean discouraging results. Select vigorous medium sized males mating each with about five mature hens, never using the smaller males nor those that are "unnaturally large. Make sure always that the hens are also strong and vigorous. Some successful breeders consider eight to twelve hens a good proportion to each tom. Two year old hens make better breeders than the younger females, the egg being larger and poitals from them stronger.

Turkey stock quickly shows bad effects from inbreeding and the only way to keep up the constitutional vigor of the birds is to introduce new ones. Timbered lands, where there is not much underbrush, is the finest for raising young turkeys. Pasture land, where the grass is short and there are plenty of insects to be picked up is also good. A flock of turkeys would benefit any farm by the amount of worms, grass hoppers, etc., thus destroyed. The turkey is still half wild and will not thrive under the conditions that are ordinarily successful with domestic fowls. They grow very nervous and restless when too closely confined. If you are in the business for profit, the right way is to give the turkeys plenty of good range, where they can get abundant natural food for foraging for themselves.

WATCH CHILD FOR WORMS
Worms sap child's strength, rob child of food and make child fretful, irritable, nervous. Watch stool and at first sign or suspicion of worms give one half to one lozage Kickapoo Worm Killer, a candy worm remover. Gives immediate results, is laxative. Dark fozes and removes the worms, improves digestion and general health of child. Continue giving Kickapoo Worm Killer until all signs of worms are gone. 25c at your Druggist.

RAISING POULTRY.
In raising poultry give them a good start by having them free from vermin. Don't let them get chilled either by exposure to bad weather or by running out in the wet grass early in the morning. Feed often, say every two or three hours, but only a little at a time. Methods of feeding commonly employed with chicks should be found

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quits satisfactory. A well prepared chick feed is good. Have a part of the ration consist of finely cracked grains giving this in a liter of some kind to induce exercise. After the first few days supply finely cut green food if the pouls are not running on the grass. Grit and charcoal should be before them all the time—this is always necessary with any kind of poultry. Water must be where they can help themselves, but it should be in a font such as will protect the young pouls from getting wet. Turkeys should always have a good supply of water.

TO FATTEN FOR MARKET.
Give the turkeys free range, if possible, else they will fret. At night feed them all the whole corn they will eat. In the morning give them a mixture as follows:—Six parts cornmeal, three parts middlings, one part meat scrap, mixed with sour skim milk or butter milk. Do not let this get too soft and sticky, but make a good stiff mixture. Where the fattening takes in only a short period, the mash might also be given to advantage at noon and especially if the birds appear at all hungry at this time.

GOOD BREEDING RATION.
A good breeding season ration is made by mixing equal parts by weight of ground oats, cornmeal, wheat bran, wheat middlings, meat scrap and sour skim milk. Oats is the best all around grain at breeding time. During breeding season turkeys should always be given free range and allowed to follow their natural instincts as much as possible.

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Joe's corn is the wonder of the county. With money he received from commission merchant for his production the farm which now is the talk of exhibits to his father.

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Joe entered his dozen ears of corn and it was placed with merely a number on its name. The corn expert of the state and the commissioner of agriculture and an agent of the federal department of agriculture were the judges.

The Corn club exhibit of the county was good—three times as good as that of the previous year. The best result presented was a hundred and one

Real Estate, \$35,500.00
Mortgage Loans, 285,400.00
Stocks and Bonds, 235,881.00
Cash in Office and Bank, 17,513.87
Agents' Balances, 17,490.00
Interest and Rents, 9,289.92

Gross Assets, \$600,075.45
Admitted Assets, \$600,075.45
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915
Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 2,256.25
Unearned Premiums, 233,571.97
All other Liabilities, 6,262.79
Surplus over all Liabilities, 365,884.44

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$600,075.45
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GREAT EASTERN CASUALTY CO.
OF NEW YORK.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915
Mortgage Loans, \$185,500.00
Stocks and Bonds, 794,072.37
Cash in Office and Bank, 68,526.23
Agents' Balances, 120,039.69
Interest and Rents, 9,495.59

Gross Assets, \$1,088,634.87
Deduct items not admitted,
41,120.57

Admitted Assets, \$1,047,514.30
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915
Net Unpaid Losses, \$ 69,518.22
Unearned Premiums, 382,814.83
All other Liabilities, 66,070.26
Cash Capital, 250,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, \$573,400.99

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,047,514.30
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ANCE COMPANY, INDI-
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ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915
Loans, \$35,500.00
Bonds, 235,400.00
Office and Bank, 235,881.00
Balances, 17,513.87
And Rents, 17,490.60
Total, 600,075.47

Assets, \$600,075.47
Liabilities DEC. 31, 1915
Unpaid Losses, \$256.27
Premiums, 235,881.00
Liabilities, 6,062.73
Over all Liabilities, 308,841.41

Liabilities and Sur-
plus, \$600,075.47

EASTERN CASUALTY CO.,
OF NEW YORK.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915
Loans, \$187,500.00
Bonds, 704,072.37
Office and Bank, 68,526.23
Balances, 120,039.59
And Rents, 9,495.29

Assets, \$1,088,934.57
Deduct items not admit-
ted, 41,120.87

Assets, \$1,047,813.70
Liabilities DEC. 31, 1915
Unpaid Losses, \$69,518.83
Premiums, 382,814.83
Liabilities, 68,070.20
Over all Liabilities, 577,410.84

Liabilities and Sur-
plus, \$1,047,813.70

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Joe is in the wonder of the country. With money he received from a commission merchant for his product, he starts a bank account, which he proudly exhibits to his father.

There is a constant demand for the corn Joe is raising. In the prize competition Joe makes 25 bushels on an acre at a cost of \$12.50.

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"That's powerful clever of you," approved Tomlinson.

"Sure is. You could take the prize all right, I reckon," said Mr. Wilson.

"I guess so, but I'll submit a dozen ears in competition for the prize for best dozen ears. I need that \$25 to go to the state fair on, where the real big fight will be," said Joe.

"Well, good luck to ye. We've had a fine time today, and I guess we've all learned something," said the judge.

"I know I have, I'm going to try some of this intensive farming. If a fellow can make one and two hundred bushels to the acre it's better a scratcher over so much ground like we do. Yep, I think I've learned something today—considerable something," he said as he shook hands and climbed in his buggy for the homeward trip.

"Me, too," said Tomlinson. "It ain't going to be five years till a farmer in this county that makes less than forty bushels to the acre is going to be counted a doggone poor farmer no' too shittles to live—mark what I tell you. We're all havin' our eyes opened."

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bushels on an acre. Some of the boys were much disturbed when they found Joe Weston was on the ground, but were reassured when he repeated that he would not compete except for the best dozen ears.

When the prize winners were announced he got the \$25 in a walk. No one came near him on it.

"I doubt if there's another dozen ears in the entire state that can equal them," said the great authority on corn, who did the grading, as he placed the blue ribbon on the exhibit and handed Joe Weston two ten-dollar gold pieces and a five.

As they drove home that evening Joe was jubilant.

"Pa, you've got to go to the state fair with me," he commanded.

"Oh, shucks, Joe! I can't spare the money nor the time."

"I'm paying for this. It's my treat, and this \$25 will see us through in great shape. It will keep you from getting behind the times. I want you to see that fair. We'll spend three days. It's educational."

"What about the work on the place?" began Mr. Weston.

"Nothing to do next week except look after the stock. Link can do that, and I'll hire his father three days out of the money I got for teaching Tom."

"I'm powerful rusty on clo'es," warned Mr. Weston.

"There'll be such a crowd there nobody will notice your clothes," assured Joe.

"Take your ma an' Annie instead," said Mr. Weston.

"We're going to stay right here, now, pa. You ain't had a holiday in I don't know when. I want you to go. We ain't going a step," said his wife.

"Oh, all right, then!" succumbed Mr. Weston.

Really he was as excited as Joe was when he was about to take the trip to Washington. He had never been to the state capital and had never seen a real, sure enough big fair.

So it was settled that they would leave the following Tuesday on the train which passed the town at 8 o'clock, and Tom Ralston was to go with them.

CHAPTER XVII.

Off to the Fair.

JOE, Mr. Weston and Tom Ralston were enconced on the train bound for the fair. It was packed with a jolly crowd of visitors for the same destination.

"Oh, by the way, father will meet us there," said Tom Ralston joyfully.

"I wired him last week we would leave today. He said last spring he wanted to see the fair and would try to get down in time, so I heard from him yesterday. He's already there and has engaged quarters for us at the hotel."

"I'll be mighty glad to see him," said Joe.

"And I guess it's a good thing he has rooms for us. I saw in the paper that there was such a crowd in town that all the places were filled up and folks were sleeping in chairs in the hotel lobby."

"I'm glad he fixed it, too," said Mr. Weston. "I ain't none on this chair noozin'. Every time I go to sleep in my chair it gives me a creak in my neck."

"They arrived at the capital city a bit before noon. Streets and stores were gay with banners and bunting, bands were parading, and an excited, eager stream of people extended from the depot, where several excursion trains were discharging their loads.

Mr. Ralston was watching for the party and seized on them at once, shaking hands jollyly.

"My, my, it's a sight for sore eyes to see you! I've been here a day and a half, and, way, this fair is great. It's a liberal education to see it. I'm coming every year. And such stock! Why, I never saw the like of fine cows!"

"Any muley black ones?" innocently inquired Tom. His father gulped, began to turn red and grinned sheepishly.

"Now, Tom; now, Tom!" he began pleadingly.

"I just wanted to know. I think the muley ones are the safest. They can't hook—only butt," said Tom demurely.

Mr. Ralston grinned.

"Yes, I suppose so, and if we ever buy any more cows I'm strong for the muley kind," he said.

"Look here, what's the joke?" demanded Joe Weston.

"Oh, just a little private one between us," said Tom. "I can't give it away yet."

"Come on up to our rooms and wash up. We'll get some dinner first, then go to the fair afterward. We can get supper there," suggested Mr. Ralston.

He had got two handsome adjoining rooms, and after the dust of travel had been removed from the new arrivals Mr. Ralston handed Joe the morning paper.

"They are expecting you, Joe," he said. "Big writup of the Corn club contest, and you seem to be considered the man they've all got to beat. It's the field against you." Joe saw his name in big type in the headlines.

"I think I've got 'em tied out," he said confidently, as he showed Mr. Ralston the record.

"Why, gee whizz, you are certain to win on this showing as we are to go downstate!" the manufacturer exclaimed. "That's done. And I'm going to send you along with you, if you don't mind, for a year at that school."

"Gits too all right. It will be just fine," heartily agreed Joe Weston.

"I looked into the matter of the prize," said Mr. Weston. "That scholarship is worth \$200. The fair management got it for less on account of the advertising, but if you want they'll commute it for \$300 cash. That's what they are actually to pay for it. I under-

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"No, sir; if I win I want that scholarship," said Joe.

"Yes, that's with more than the money, by a heap," agreed Mr. Weston.

"All right, let's go down and eat," suggested their host and led the way to the crowded dining room.

The four were seated at a table placed close to another one. At the next table were three men, and one with his back to them was talking. Evidently, from his conversation, he was a county superintendent of education from somewhere in the state. He talked in rather a loud voice, and every word of what he said was audible.

"What I am afraid of," said he, "is that Joe Weston, the state champion of last year, will enter." The mention of Joe's name made his party prick up their ears.

"If Joe Weston ain't in it I think my boy will win the prize, and I am dreadfully anxious for him to. I never did have my heart so set on anything," he continued.

"Any special reason?" said one of the men at his table, helping himself to a stalk of celery and munching idly away on it.

"Yes, there is," asserted the school-teacher earnestly. "The most urgent reasons. You see, this boy I am interested in is only fifteen years old. He's the eldest of four children, all three considerably younger than he is. His mother is a widow—been so for four years now. Her husband was a drifting drunkard who mistreated them and died, leaving them absolutely destitute and on the hands of charity. And this boy has been the man of the family ever since."

"Too bad, too bad!" said the other of the listeners.

"They moved out in the edge of town on this little patch of ground and in a tumble down cabin. The church ladies helped them out that first year. The mother took in sawing. The children gathered huckleberries and pokeberry shoots for salad and blackberries. The Lord only knows how they got through that first year. Then a good hearted man gave them a cow, and the ladies gave a few chickens. They sold milk and eggs, and that helped."

"I don't reckon anybody could get closer to bedrock poverty than that," said the first listener, with a shudder.

"They could not!" asserted the school teacher. "Then this boy, Henry, he's been like a father to those children. He works from daylight to dark. He put in a sort of garden the next year; that helped give a living, and he peddled some vegetables from it and worked at odd jobs. He's kept on hauling manure out there on that land and got it pretty rich. There are seven acres in the place."

"Why, that's fine!" said one of the men.

"The garden was better next year, and the cow had a calf, and that promise to be a good cow. They've got more chickens and make plenty to eat, and he sells more, and those children are able to go to school in winter now, thanks to Henry. And this year he succeeded in three months himself—his first schooling he ever had."

"My, my, what a tough time that boy has had!"

"Indeed, yes; but not a whimper from Henry. He's got the heart of a Roman soldier in him. And, do you know, the old skinflint that owns that place has gone to charging that poor outfit rent on it?"

"Oh, you don't say—the old rascal!" chorused the two men.

"Fact. War, that place was in such bad shape a bigger family moved out of it before these folks were dumped there by the Ladies of Charity. That old rascal has given an option on the place for \$400 to a friend of mine. If Henry can buy the place and stay the drain for rent they'll get along fine. He ain't much, but a nickel looks as big to them as a cart wheel."

Mr. Ralston looked at Joe. He was white and breathing hard and straining his ears to catch every word.

To be continued.

TUBERCULOSIS DEATH RATE DECLINES TWENTY-FIVE PER CENT.

Ten Year Drop Due in Large Part to Activities of Anti-Tuberculosis Societies.

While the latest reports of the Bureau of the Census shows that in 1914 tuberculosis caused over 10.5 per cent of all deaths in the registration area of the United States, The National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis points out in a statement issued recently that the death-rate from this disease is steadily decreasing, having declined from 20.7 per 100,000 population in 1904 to 14.8 in 1914. This would indicate, the Association claims, that the anti-tuberculosis movement organized in the last ten years is having a marked effect on the mortality of tuberculosis, especially since the death-rate from this disease seems to be declining more rapidly than the general death-rate from all causes.

Commenting on this decrease in the rate from tuberculosis, the Bureau of the Census says: "As a result of a more general understanding of the laws of health, the importance of fresh air, etc., due in part, no doubt, to the efforts of the various societies for the prevention of tuberculosis, there has been a most marked and gratifying decrease during recent years in the mortality from this scourge of civilization. In only a decade—from 1904 to 1914—the death-rate from tuberculosis in all its forms fell from 20.7 to 14.8 per 100,000, the decline being continuous from year to year. This is a drop of more than 25 per cent."

As an indication of the growth of the campaign against tuberculosis, The National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis shows that in 1905, when the campaign was definitely started, there were in the United States only thirty-nine anti-tuberculosis associations, 115 sanatoria and hospitals, twenty special clinics, no open air schools, and not more than 5,000 people actively interested in the prevention of this disease. At the close of the year 1915 there were over 1,500 anti-tuberculosis associations, 600 sanatoria and hospitals, 450 dispensaries, 800 open air schools, and over 100,000 people actively interested in the prevention of tuberculosis. Besides this, the fundamental truths that tuberculosis is a communicable, preventable and curable disease have been carried into almost every village and hamlet and to millions of men, women and children in a great variety of ways.

The National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, 105 East 22nd Street, New York City, will gladly send literature on tuberculosis to those who wish it.

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ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915.
Bonds, (Book Value), \$341,120.01
Cash in Office and Bank, 35,771.08
Bills Receivable, (Premiums in course of collection), 3,416.29
Interest accrued on Bonds, 4,886.80

Gross Assets, \$385,195.08
Admitted Assets, \$385,195.08
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.
Unearned Premiums, \$57,654.33
All other Liabilities, (Reserved for Taxes), 1,208.71
Cash Capital, 209,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 126,332.14

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$385,195.08
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THE TRAVELERS INSURANCE CO., HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915.
Real Estate, \$320,135.00
Mortgage Loans, 34,005,118.62
Collateral Loans, 282,110.00
Stocks and Bonds, 46,013,249.59
Cash in Office and Bank, 2,333,028.58
Agents' Balances, 76,877.53
Bills Receivable, 37,591.34
Interest and Rents, 1,487,570.93
All other Assets, 16,581,503.48

Gross Assets, \$103,012,000.34
Deduct items not admitted, 1,084,337.54

Admitted Assets, \$103,917,662.80
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.
Net Unpaid Losses, \$1,087,545.29
Unearned Premiums, 89,215.82
All other Liabilities, 88,860,899.57
Cash Capital, 5,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, \$5,500,802.11

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$103,917,662.80
plus, ELMER L. LOVELLOY, Agent, Hartford Falls, Maine.
3-16-31—G.

THE FIDELITY AND CASUALTY CO., OF NEW YORK, 92-94 LIBERTY ST., 97-103 ORDAI ST., NEW YORK CITY.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915.
Real Estate, \$1,318,833.45
Stocks and Bonds, 9,503,363.04
Cash in Office and Bank, 359,855.20
Premiums in Course of Collection, 1,783,611.12
Interest and Rents, 90,787.20
All other Assets, 245,984.01

Gross Assets, \$13,308,340.64
Deduct items not admitted, 671,940.00

Admitted Assets, \$12,726,400.64
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.
Net Unpaid Losses, \$3,008,015.70
Unearned Premiums, 4,831,890.7
All other Liabilities, 1,487,812.53
Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 2,399,541.61

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$12,726,400.64
3-16-31—F.

OLENE FALLS INSURANCE COMPANY, OLENE FALLS, N. Y.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915.
Real Estate, \$247,410.70
Mortgage Loans, 1,699,300.00
Collateral Loans, 200,000.00
Stocks and Bonds, 5,010,071.00
Cash in Office and Bank, 653,873.85
Agents' Balances, 409,979.85
Interest and Rents, 31,374.53
All other Assets, 48,292.95

Gross Assets, \$45,562,919.73
Deduct items not admitted, 2,979.25

Admitted Assets, \$45,559,940.48
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.
Net Unpaid Losses, \$233,851.99
Unearned Premiums, 2,825,835.57
All other Liabilities, 245,984.01
Cash Capital, 500,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, \$2,251,210.29

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$45,559,940.48
plus, 3-16-31—F.

ORIENT INSURANCE COMPANY, HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915.
Real Estate, \$173,186.38
Stocks and Bonds, 5,000,503.81
Cash in Office and Bank, 588,556.45
Agents' Balances, 330,133.43
Bills Receivable, 833.33
Interest and Rents, 48,292.95
All other Assets, 42,811.00

Gross Assets, \$41,151,886.35
Deduct items not admitted, 314,217.72

Admitted Assets, \$41,567,668.63
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.
Net Unpaid Losses, \$1,577,804.43
Unearned Premiums, 1,887,599.18
All other Liabilities, 47,833.87
Cash Capital, 1,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities, 1,111,444.18

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$41,567,668.63
plus, 3-16-31—F.

PENNSYLVANIA LUMBERMEN'S MUTUAL FIRE INS. CO., 800 LAFAETTE BUILDING, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

ASSETS DEC. 31, 1915.
Mortgage Loans, \$3,000,000.00
Stocks and Bonds, 552,303.76
Cash in Office and Bank, 119,923.12
Agents' Balances, 27,735.49
Interest Accrued, 9,084.97
All other Assets, 13,110.25

Gross Assets, \$785,222.63
Deduct items not admitted, 5,258.88

Admitted Assets, \$779,963.75
LIABILITIES DEC. 31, 1915.
Net Unpaid Losses, \$5,816.25
Unearned Premiums,



R. J. REYNOLDS TOBACCO CO., Winston-Salem, N. C.

F. B. MERRILL.

IN THE COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

BETHEL FRUIT CO.

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